

PERFORMING ARTS (THEATRE) BTEC National

Qualification BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Performing Arts (Theatre)

Exam Board Pearson Edexcel

Course Specific Entry Requirements Grade 4 or above in GCSE Drama **or** Merit or above in Level 2 Performing Arts (Theatre) **or** a wide experience of performing in public. This course cannot be taken alongside Level 3 Performing Arts (Dance)

Overview

At the Spires College we provide students with an interest in all areas of the Performing Arts to advance their skills in Drama, Dance and Music through our delivery of the BTEC National Extended Certificates in Performing Arts. The BTEC National Extended Certificate courses provide specialist, work-related learning, delivering the knowledge, skills and understanding students need to prepare for a career in Performing Arts.

What will I learn?

In this course you will study four units, all related to an aspect of Theatre. Three are mandatory units and one optional unit. The mandatory units are:

- ▲ Investigating Practitioners' Work
- ▲ Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance
- ▲ Group Performance Workshop

The focus for the **optional unit** will be driven by students' interests and aspirations but may include, for example:

- ▲ Acting Styles
- ▲ Improvisation
- ▲ Developing the Voice for Performance
- ▲ Movement in Performance
- ▲ Musical Theatre Techniques
- ▲ Variety Performance

How will I learn?

Delivery of the course is through a combination of units that allows you to work in many different areas of the Performing Arts, all with a predominantly practical and vocational focus. Each term will culminate in a public performance of the work created, with the additional opportunity to be part of the whole College show. Chances to develop as a performer are abundant! Performing Arts students are also given the opportunity to help co-ordinate and run Drama Clubs for younger students. This is an excellent opportunity which provides great experience for any students thinking about a career in education.

Where could it lead?

A qualification such as the BTEC National Extended Certificate in Performing Arts opens many doors. Whether you are planning to progress to Higher Education, an apprenticeship or employment, with Performing Arts now one of the fastest growing industries in the United Kingdom, there has never been a better time to study the arts.